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# **SmartMote – A run-time adaptive universal control device for ambient intelligent production environments**

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# Agenda

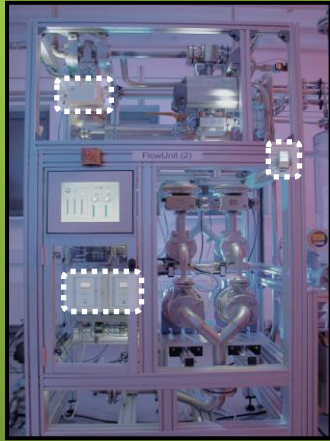
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- Mobile Human Computer Interaction in Industrial Environments
- Benefits of Context-Sensitive Systems
- Development Methodology
  - Related Work
  - Shortcomings & Requirements
  - Concept description & Meta-Model Architecture
  - Abstract Modeling Phase
    - The Useware Markup Language (useML)
    - The Useware Dialog Modeling (useDM) Language



# Mobile Human Computing Interaction in Industrial Environments

## Improved Accessibility



## Homogeneous User Interface



Mobile Worker

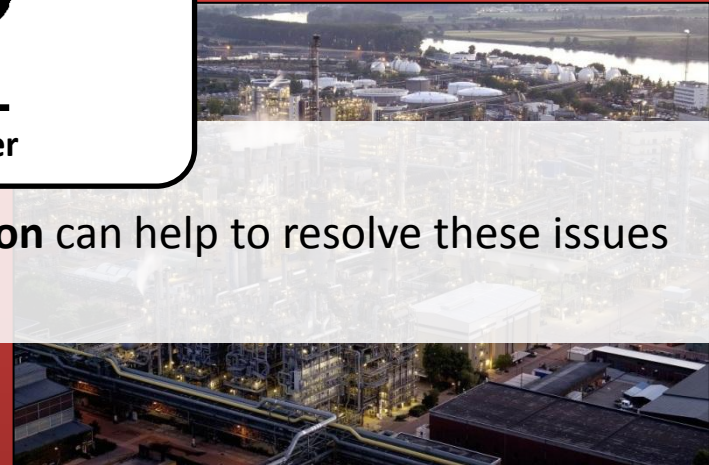
## Location Independence



**Interaction Zones:** Use of **Context-Information** can help to resolve these issues



## Safety Critical Interactions



## Risk of Information Overload

# Location-based User Interface Adaptation – Hazardous interactions

Positioning System



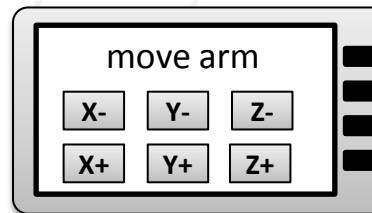
Safe

Interaction Zone

Safety Critical

Interaction Zone

1. Track user in environment
2. Match with interaction zones
3. Disable/Enable hazardous functions in interaction device



Universal Interaction Device



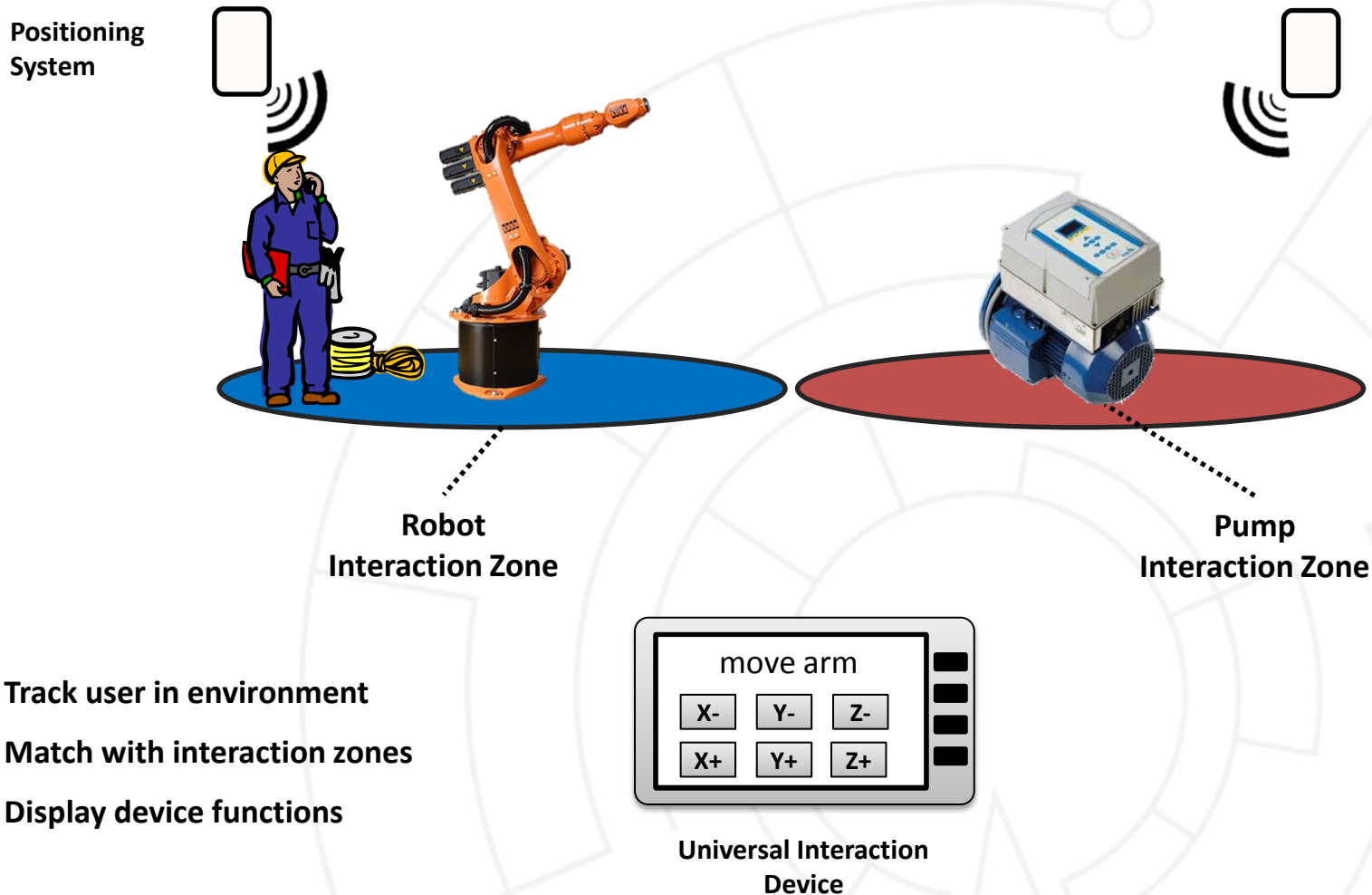
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## Location-based User Interface Adaptation – Workflow support



1. Track user in environment
2. Match with interaction zones
3. Display device functions



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## Development Methodology

## Related Work

**Promises of MBUID:** Use of semi-formal Methodologies to...

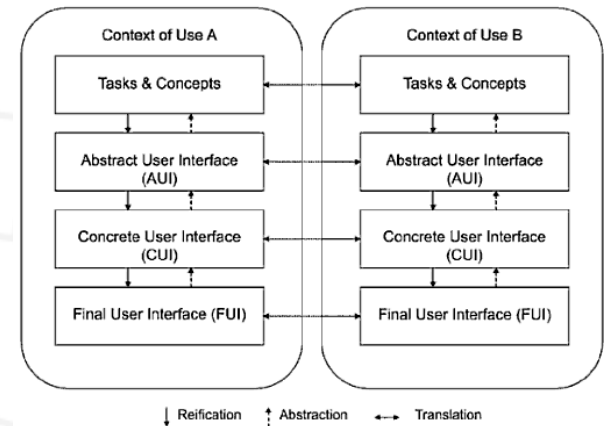
- give different perspectives on UI
- support seamless UI Engineering
- increase reuse and automation in E.-Process
- ...

### Shortcomings & Observations:

Review of Related Work shows that...

- different **types of models** are used.
- the **models expressiveness** varies.
- there is only **limited tool-support** in early phases.
- automatic generation often results in **unusable User Interfaces**.
- concepts only offer **limited flexibility** and manual intervention.
- **they often do not provide a clear separation of concerns in early phases**
- ...

## Architectures & Languages



### CAMELEON Reference Framework

Dygimes

MASP

TERESA

Useware Architecture

UsiXML

MARIA

Universal Remote Console

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# Requirements

## Methodology

- **Explicit Specification** of Task, Context, Dialog, Presentation and Adaption of User Interface!
- Integration of **Backend Functions** in Task Modeling Phase!
- Give Developer **more control in early development phases!**
- Clear separation of concerns:
  - Task Model → Functional Requirements
  - AUI Model → Interaction specification
  - Distinguish between **development time** and **run-time models**

## User Interface Description Language(s)

- Use of **Light-weight models!**
- **Avoid redundancies!**
- Provide **clear element mappings!**

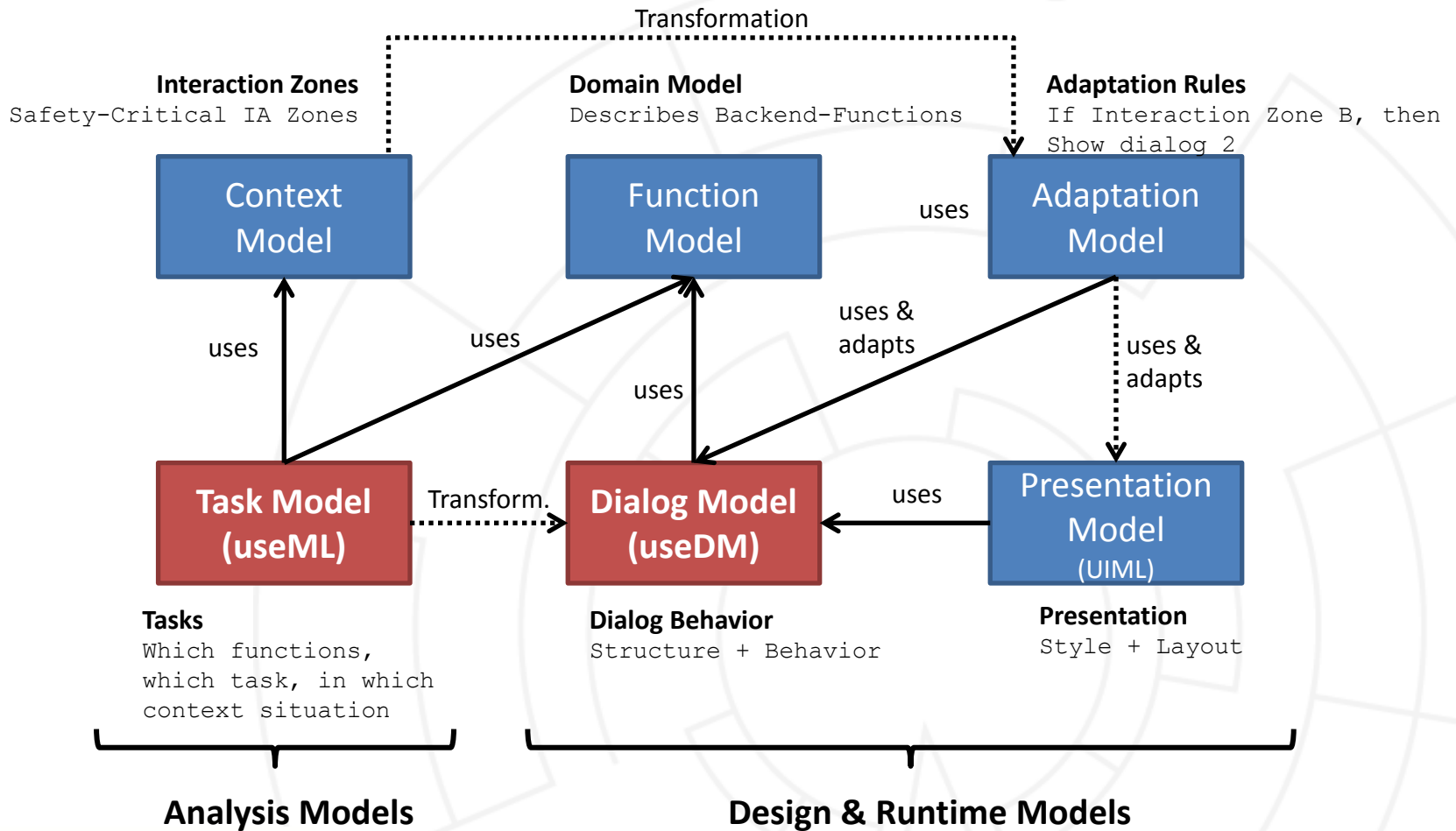
## Tool-Support

- Support **graphical modeling!**
- Support **interactive model transformation** in early development phases!
- Support **run-time Interpretation!**

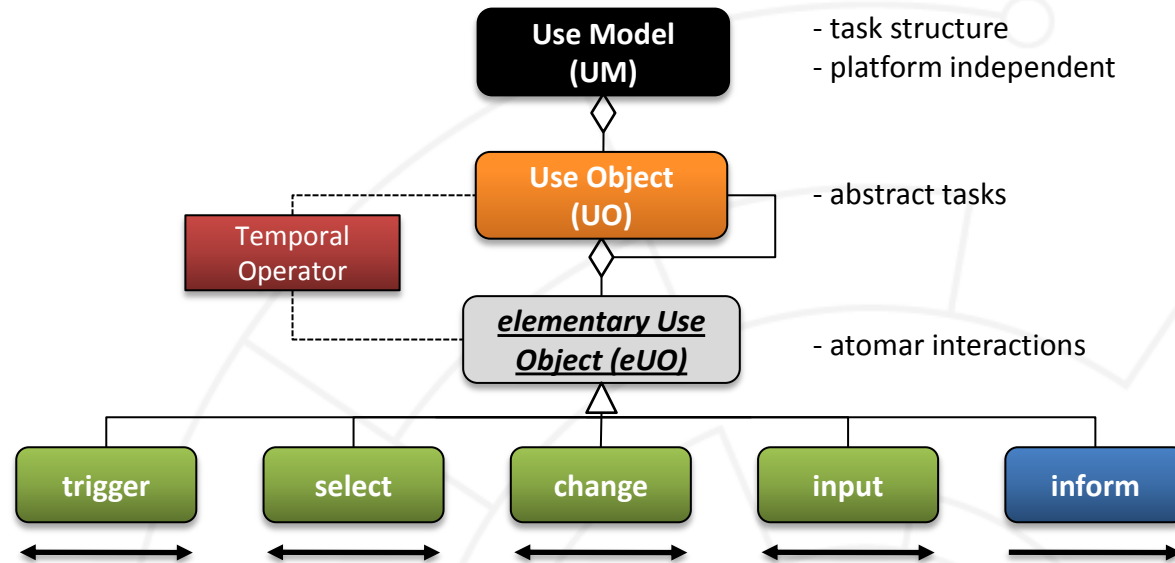




# SmartMote Meta-Model Architecture



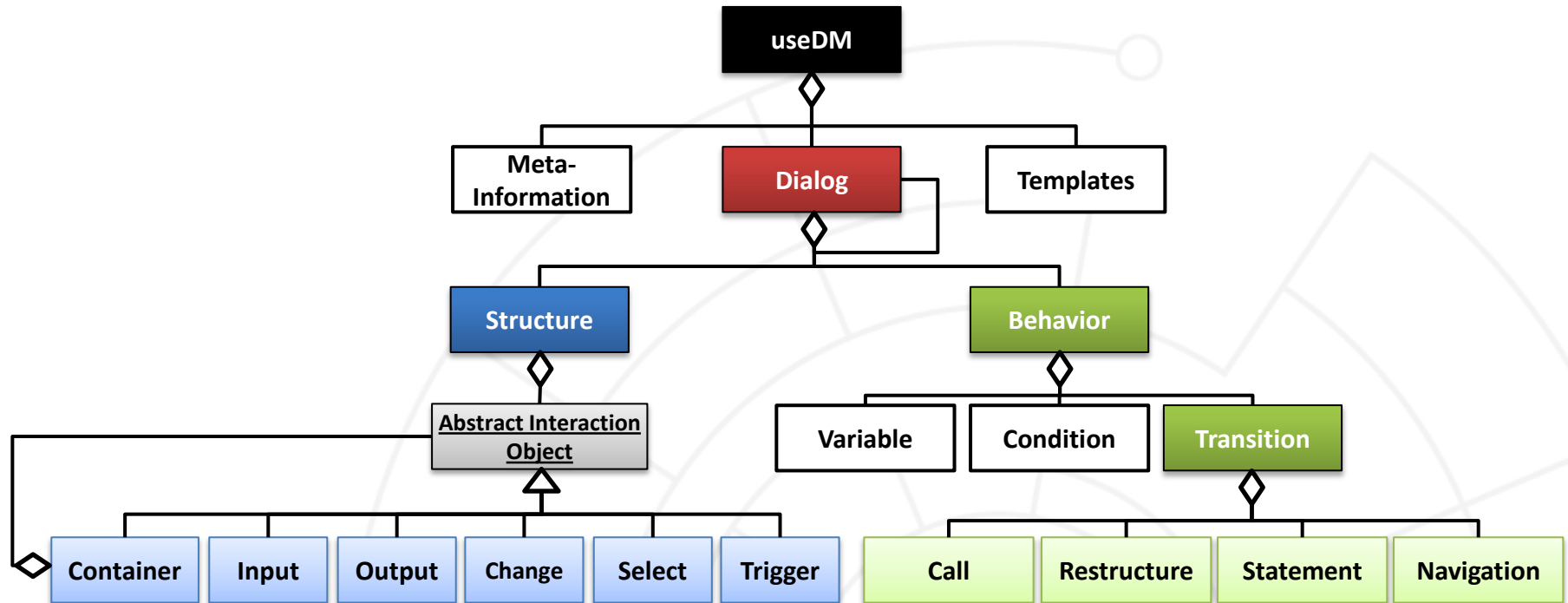
# Useware Markup Language 2.0



- Different tasks types (e.g. system task, interactive task)
- Elementary use objects → more detailed specification of interactive tasks
- Optionality and Cardinality
- Logical and temporal conditions (pre-conditions, invariants, post-conditions)
- 5 Temporal Operators
- + **Interface to functional backend**
- + **Read-/Write Collections**



# Useware Dialog Modeling (useDM) Core Meta-Model



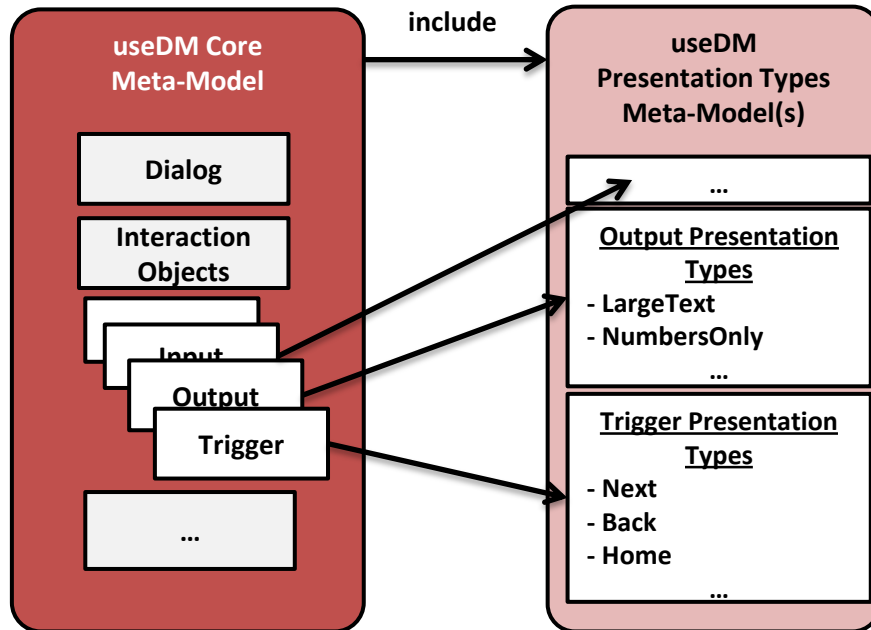
- Modality-Independent Interactors
- Event-based Behavior Model
- Relative + absolute Navigation descriptions
- Enhanced Reuse concept via templates
- Extensible Presentation Semantics



# Useware Dialog Modeling (useDM) Meta-Models

## Use of extendible, semantic Selectors

### Useware Dialog Modeling (useDM) Language



```
<input id="iEnterSpeed" presentation-type="numberOnly" .../>
```



```
<input id="iEnterSpeed" presentation-type="textOnly" .../>
```



```
<input id="iEnterSpeed" presentation-type="shortText" .../>
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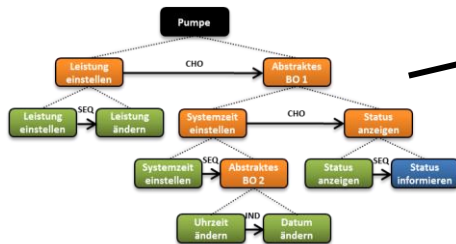


```
<input id="iEnterSpeed" presentation-type="longText" .../>
```



# Concept Description Development Path – Task Modeling

Drag'n'Drop



**Interactive Tool-Support  
(Udit 2.0)**

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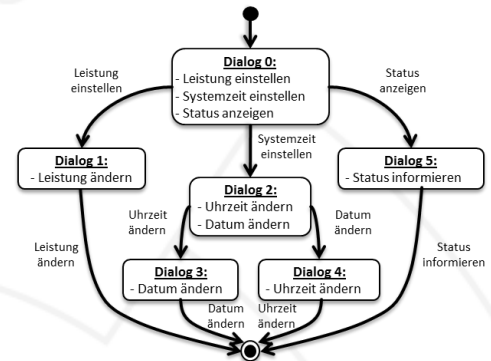
**Task Model  
(useML)**

**Core Analysis Model  
Development Model**

Transform

**Dialog Model  
(useDM)**

**Core Design Model  
Development + Run-time Model**



Specify

- (Task-based) Functional Requirements
- Context Information

- Group Tasks → Dialogs
- Add Navigations
- Use Abstract Interaction Objects
- Specify Behavior
- Specify Adaptations



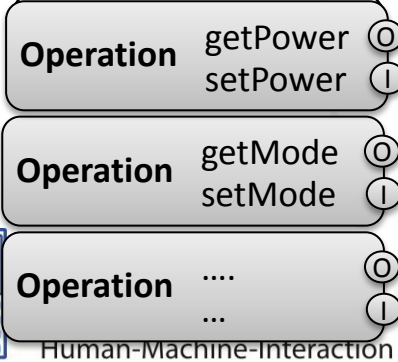
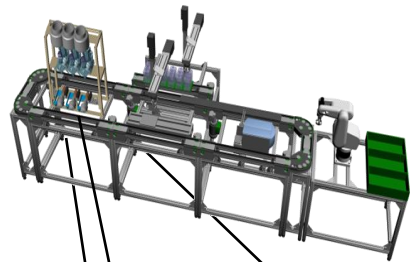
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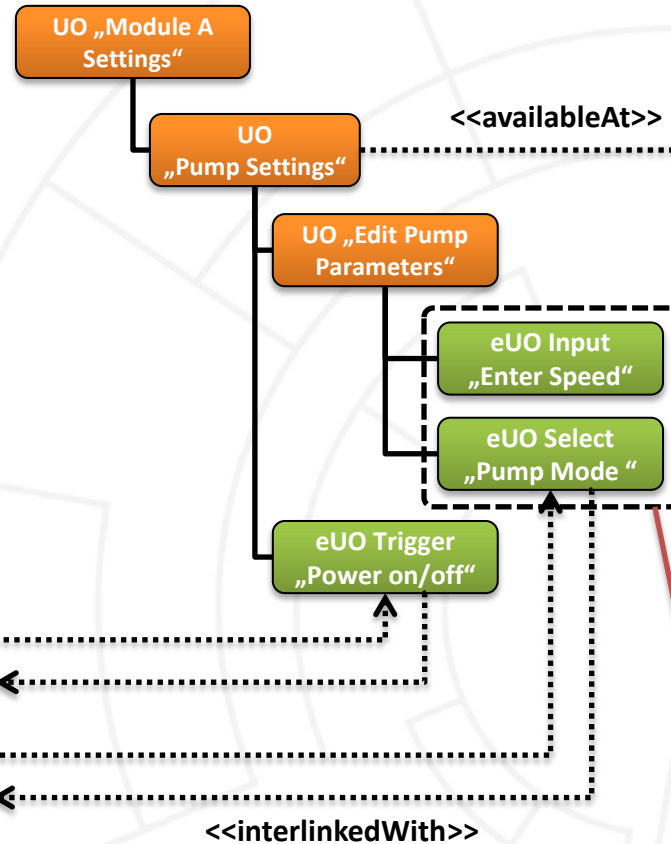
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# Example Use Case Task Modeling

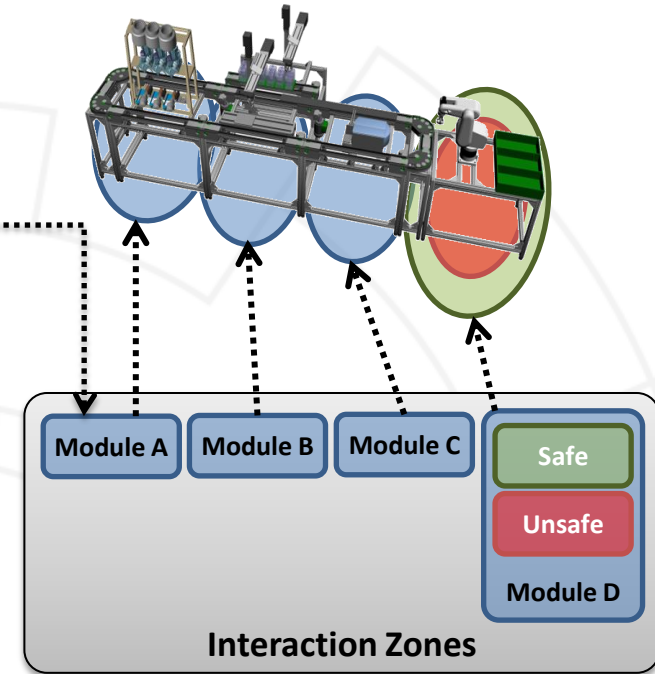
## Function Model



## Use Model

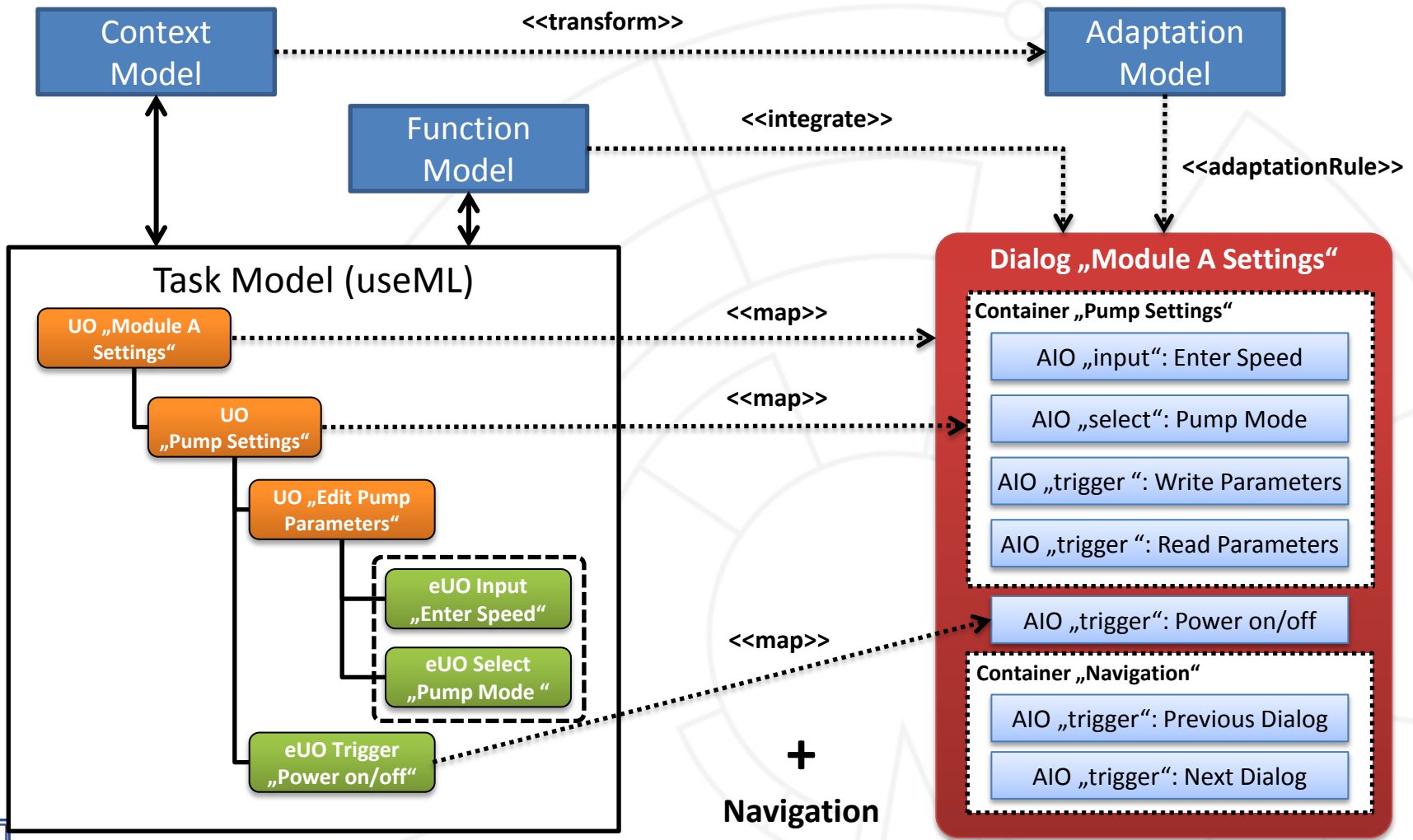


## Context Model



Read-/Write Collection:  
Read-/Write eUO Information at once

## Example Use Case Dialog Modeling





# Mapping Example useDM

## useDM XML Snippet

Structure +  
Presentation

Task Model  
(useML)

mapping

Function-calls  
+ Navigations

```
<dialog id="DialogA" title="Dialog A Settings">
  <structure>
    <container id="cPumpSettings" title="Pump Settings">
      <input title="Enter Speed:" id="iEnterSpeed"
        presentation-type="numberOnly" variable-ref="varEnterSpeed"/>
      ...
    <trigger title="Write Parameters" id="tWriteParameters" onTriggered="writeValues"/>
    <trigger title="Read Parameters" id="tReadParameters" onTriggered="readValues"/>
    </container>
    <trigger title="Letztes Modul" id="back"
      presentation-type="previous-dialog" onTriggered="previousModule"/>
    <container id="cNavigation" title="Navigation" presentation-type="navigation">
      ...
    </container>
  </structure>
  <behavior>
    <variable id="varEnterSpeed" datatype="string"/>
    <transition id="readValues">
      <call function-name="pump_getSpeed">
        <return-value variable-ref="varEnterSpeed"/>
      </call>
    </transition>
    <transition id="previousModule">
      <relative-target type="previous-dialog"/>
    </transition>
    ...
  </behavior>
</dialog>
```



# Summary and Conclusion

## Addressed Problems

- **Explicit Specification** of Task, Context, Dialog, Presentation and Adaption of User Interface!
- Integration of **Backend Functions** in Task Modeling Phase!
- Give Developer **more control in early development phases!**
- Provide a **clear separation of concerns!**

## Issues Out of Scope

- Automatic Layouting
- Multi-Modal Fusion

## Future Work

- **Finish & Publish tool-support:**
  - Udit 2.0 (estimated: July 2012)
  - Renderer (estimated: May 2012)
- **Evaluation of Modeling Concept**

